

Mrs. Thomas Honored for 4-H Work

(Continued from Page 17) drink to the people working in the fields in the middle of the morning and in the middle of the afternoon. When asked, "did you like it there?" Jean replied "Very much. They take time to live." She has not visited these folks since but corresponds with them. Her parents though visited both families in 1957 when their trip included visiting their son in Hong Kong, Hawaii and various other places.

In 1962 Mrs. Thomas served on the planning committee for the National IFYE convention held at Millersville. They planned all the details including the program for the five-day assembly, meals, housing and tours.

For three years she served on the music staff for 4-H leadership training at Camp Kane, Spruce Creek, Huntingdon County. This is a one-week camp that trains individuals for leadership in 4-H work. She was on the music staff for the fourth 4-H Club Congress which puts emphasis on the individual's training. She also served on the music staff at the State 4-H Club week.

Mrs. Thomas has served 17 years as a 4-H Leader and is now Organizational Leader for the Manheim "Joys Of All Trades" Club. They have four different projects this year — namely sewing, cooking, start with small change (a club to redo old things or a home improvement club), and a knitting club. There are ten leaders besides herself and six junior leaders and approximately 60 members. Some members did double projects this summer too.

She is a member of the county 4-H Leaders Council. This past spring she was appointed to serve as Director for the Lancaster County Cooperative Extension Service. With her vast knowledge of 4-H work she will be a valuable asset to the board.

Jean is the daughter of Mrs. Paul Singer, who lives near Manheim. She was the youngest of six children. One time her father said "Our name is Singer, and there isn't a singer in the family." Well, it wasn't long until little Jean changed his tune because she always enjoyed singing. She took voice lessons and played the piano before going to school. She graduated from West Chester State College with a BS in music.

Mrs. Thomas teaches vocal music at these five rural schools in the Manheim Central School District: Sporting Hill, Fairland, Mastersonville, White Oak and Elm Tree. She is a member of Manheim Central Education Association. She works up at least two school musicals a year. With having five schools, she has one in the spring and at another school in late fall. These entertainments involve all the students.

Mrs. Thomas taught a half year at Oxford after graduation and after marriage did some substitute teaching. This is her twelfth year teaching since she was married.

Besides this she directs four out of five choirs at her church, the Zion Lutheran Church in Manheim. This church has nearly 800 members. She is also looking forward to the organization and directing of a hand bell choir. Enthusiastic who served as their church organist for sixty years passed away this year and if they get a bell, they will be in her memory. Although Jean is qualified to teach instruments this will be a new experience to teach hand bells. She is a member of a

circle group of her church also. Mrs. Thomas is called upon for various musical activities. She will be a judge this month for County Chorus. Two years ago she directed the St. Paul's Episcopal choir, next door to her home, for baccalaureate service. She is also a music consultant for Manheim girl scouts. Summertime finds her very busy with music also. She sings solos in other churches. This past summer she was musical director for the Little Theater in Manheim when they did "Once Upon A Mattress." She has also worked in song fests for girl scouts, did one in Columbia this summer.

Mrs. Thomas came from an educated family. Her oldest brother, Dr. James Singer, who received the 1968 4-H Alumni Recognition Award, was active in 4-H as a boy. He went into the ministry. He was pastor of a church in Washington, D.C. but is now pastor of the large Ascension Lutheran Church, Baltimore, Md. He has always been active among youth and does a lot of speaking and evangelistic work besides his pastoral work. He will be evangelist soon for special services at Salem United Methodist Church, Manheim.

She has a brother who is a missionary in Hong Kong, a brother who is a teacher in New York, a sister who is a registered nurse and another sister who teaches in Manheim.

Mrs. Thomas' husband, HOMER, works at Raybestos Manheim in Manheim. He sings in their church choir.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have three children. Robert, 15, is in eleventh grade at Manheim Central. He plays sousaphone and the piano and is active in the school band and orchestra. He is interested in sports, is on cross-country team and was manager of the basketball team last year. He has been in scouting seven years, belongs to Troop 47 and traveled to Piedmont, New Mexico, this summer. He is active in Sunday School and youth group at church and sings in the choir.

Sue, 14, is in ninth grade in Manheim Junior High School. She plays the piano, flute and piccolo in the school band and orchestra and sings in ninth grade chorus. She plays hockey. She is active in church work the same as Bob. She has been a girl scout for seven years and belongs to Manheim Cadettes. She likes children and does some baby sitting. Her ambition is to be a teacher.

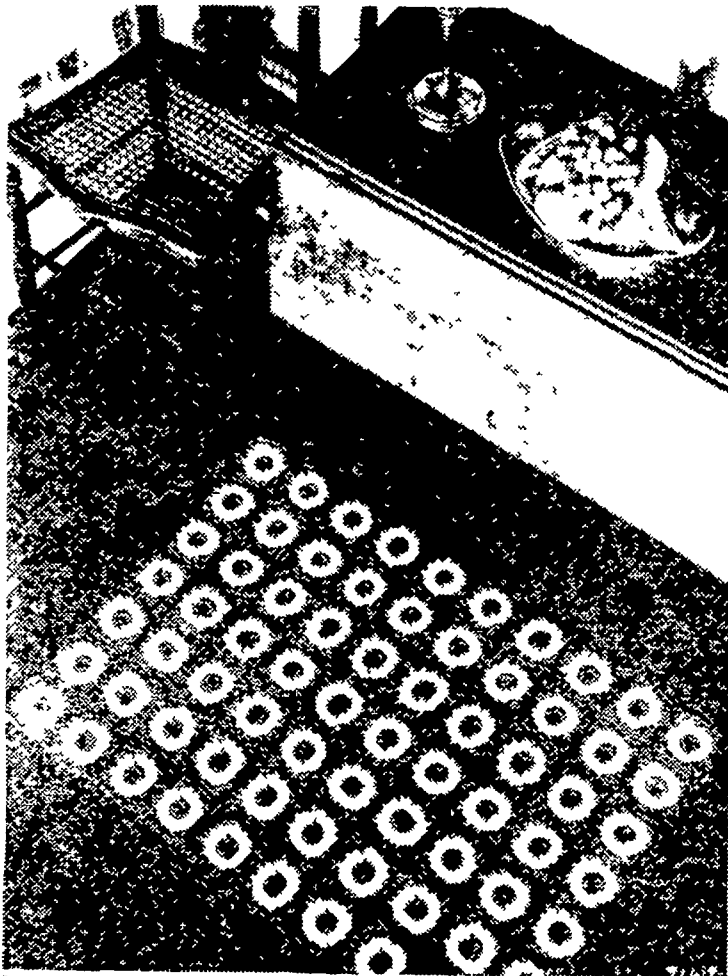
Michael is 12 and in seventh grade in the Junior High School. He plays sousaphone in Junior High Band and the bass drum in Junior High Marching Band. He is playing midget football with the Manheim team and has played basketball. He is active in Sunday School and sings in the middle choir (sixth through eighth grades). He was a Cub Scout in Pack 47.

Mrs. Thomas was an assistant Den Mother for Cub Pack 47 for three years and received a



Mrs. Thomas looking over 4-H Achievement certificates.

citation for it. She was chair Show until two years ago. That man of the Rural Youth exhibit department has been dropped at Manheim Community Fair now.



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Mrs. Thomas, with all her outside activities and besides being a busy homemaker, has time for a few hobbies. She says "I like to paper and paint." She does all their own papering and painting and does a beautiful job. "I like to work with flowers, I have a flower garden, try to have houseplants, I enjoy cooking, so does all my family. The children like it when their dad cooks. He has full course meals." She knits while viewing TV. She says this keeps her from nibbling on food. She is knitting Sue a jacket and knit her a dress and has knit sweaters for herself and children. She also does some sewing for herself and daughter.

How does Jean do so much? She says her family helps her and make it possible. It just goes to show what some teamwork will do.

Here are a few of her favorite recipes.

GREEN MOUNTAIN SALAD

- 1 pkg. lime jello
- 1 3/4 cup boiling water
- 1 medium can crushed pineapple (drained)
- 1/2 cup broken nuts
- 1/2 cup celery chopped or diced
- 8 oz. pkg. Phil. cream cheese
- 12 marshmallows (cut into 6 parts)
- 1/2 pt. light cream (you can also use half milk)

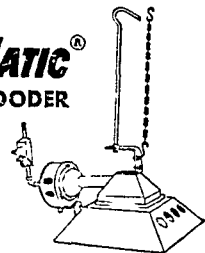
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Hershey Medical Center To Open

An open house for the general public to tour completed portions of the hospital of The Milton S. Hershey Medical Center of The Pennsylvania State University before it admits its first patients was announced today by Dr. George T. Harrell, dean of the College of Medicine and director of the Medical Center.

The open house will take place from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. on both Saturday, Oct. 10, and Sunday, Oct. 11. The hospital is slated to admit its first patients on Wednesday, Oct. 14.

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